

**U. S. Department of Energy
Facilities Information Management System
Request for Change
Change Request #: 16-15**

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Proposed Change:	<p>Remove the requirement for the following FIMS fields:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Anticipated Repair Cost, 2) Disposal Complexity, and 3) Disposal Readiness. <p>Request 3 of 3. The package of three requests satisfies the requirements of ECFWG and addresses the commitments DOE made to IG and GAO in response to their recommendations. The package was broken into three requests at the recommendation of FAC.</p>				
Justification:	<p>The fields identified above were anticipated to be needed to ensure transparency when reporting information on DOE's inventory of excess facilities to Congress and to fulfill commitments made to the GAO and IG. Information obtained through these modified FIMS fields will be used for a bi-annual report to Congress as well as for external requests from the IG and GAO.</p> <p>Background: GAO and IG raised several concerns regarding DOE's management of excess facilities and the consistency and transparency of data in FIMS on facilities that are excess or will become excess. DOE committed to the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Revise the status codes to eliminate overlap, make definitions more clear, and improve consistency amongst the various DOE sites, 2) Analyze and report critical information on contaminated excess facilities and evaluate alternative plans to disposition these facilities in order to reduce the department's overall risk. <p>Congress mandated that DOE submit bi-annual reports on the status of excess facilities to include similar information recommended by the IG and GAO, in addition to specific mandates on costs and timelines for managing and completing the D&D of excess facilities.</p> <p>In FY15, the excess facilities working group used FIMS as the database of record, coupled with a DOE-wide data call, to obtain information on all of DOE's excess facilities in order to support the above commitments. Upon analysis of the data the ECFWG determined the three referenced fields did not provide sufficient value to require the sites to fill them in.</p>				

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